

FORM PTO-1390 US DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE (REV. 01-2003)		ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER 123977
<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/535,724
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/IB2003/006384	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE November 21, 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED November 21, 2002
TITLE OF INVENTION ANCHORING SCREW FOR A RELAY STRIP OR SUTURE		
APPLICANT FOR DO/EO/US Michel COLLETTE		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.</li> <li>4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).</li> <li>5. <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> The International Application was filed in English.</li> </ol> </li> <li>7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li>d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li> <li>9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</li> <li>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</li> </ol>		
Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li>13. <input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</li> <li>14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.</li> <li>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li>16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</li> <li>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.</li> <li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Response to Notification of Missing Requirements; copy Notification of Missing Requirements; and Transmittal of Power of Attorney.</li> </ol>		

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21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted:		CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY		
<b>BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a)):</b> ..... \$ 300.00		\$		
<b>SEARCH FEE (37 CFR 1.492(b)(1)-(3)):</b>		\$		
International preliminary examination report or written opinion prepared by the USPTO as IPEA or ISA and favorable as to novelty, inventive step, and industrial applicability for all claims presented in the application entering the national stage ..... \$ 0.00				
International search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO as ISA ..... \$ 100.00				
International search report provided to USPTO no later than the time at which the search fee is paid ..... \$ 400.00				
All situations not provided for above ..... \$ 500.00				
<b>EXAMINATION FEE (37 CFR 1.492(c)(1)-(2)):</b>		\$		
International preliminary examination report or written opinion prepared by the USPTO as IPEA or ISA and favorable as to novelty, inventive step, and industrial applicability for all claims presented in the application entering the national stage ..... \$ 0.00				
All situations not provided for above ..... \$ 200.00				
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).		\$130.00		
TOTAL PAGES OF APPLICATION OVER 100 ( - 100)	÷ 50	= †	× 250 =	\$
†round up to next integer				
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	\$
TOTAL CLAIMS	- 20	=	× 50.00 =	\$
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	- 3	=	× 200.00 =	\$
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S)(if applicable)			+ 360.00 =	\$
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>				\$130.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by ½.		\$65.00		
		<b>SUBTOTAL =</b> \$65.00		
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).		\$		
		<b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b> \$65.00		
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property +		\$		
		<b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b> \$65.00		
12/20/2005 LLANDGRA 00000024 10535724		Amount to be refunded: \$		
01 FU:2617 65.00 0P		charged: \$		
<p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check No. 173637 in the amount of \$65.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. <b>WARNING:</b> Information on this form may become public. <b>Credit card information should not be included on this form.</b> Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</p>				
<p><b>NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.</b></p> <p>SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: OLIFF &amp; BERRIDGE, PLC Customer Number: 25944</p>				
<p>NAME: William P. Berridge REGISTRATION NUMBER: 30,024</p> <p>NAME: Jesse O. Collier REGISTRATION NUMBER: 53,839</p>				
Date <u>December 20, 2005</u>				

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Michel COLLETTE

Application No.: 10/535,724

Filed: December 20, 2005

Docket No.: 123977

For: ANCHORING SCREW FOR A RELAY STRIP OR SUTURE

**TRANSMITTAL OF POWER OF ATTORNEY AND  
STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 3.73(b)**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Submitted herewith is a Power of Attorney from the Assignee.

In compliance with 37 CFR §3.73(b), the undersigned hereby states that MICHEL COLLETTE is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the patent application identified above by virtue of being the sole inventor.

The undersigned is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.36(a), submission of this Power of Attorney revokes any powers of attorney previously given.

**ALL CORRESPONDENCE IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION SHOULD  
BE SENT TO OLIFF & BERRIDGE, PLC, CUSTOMER NO. 25944, TELEPHONE  
(703) 836-6400.**

Respectfully submitted,

Joel S. Armstrong  
Registration No. 36,430

JSA/crh

Date: December 20, 2005

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Attn: **PCT BRANCH**

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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS**  
**UNDER 35 U.S.C 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/**  
**ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) WITH DECLARATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) (copy attached) mailed on November 18, 2005, submitted herewith is the executed Declaration of the inventor. Any necessary Designation of Ten Attorneys for Power of Attorney or Transmittal of Power of Attorney and Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) is also attached.

Attached is our Check No. 173637 for  \$130.00  \$65.00 (entitlement to small entity status is asserted) for the fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.492(h).

Entry of this document should complete all of the filing formalities and fully satisfy all requirements of the Notification of Missing Requirements. Accordingly, prompt issuance of a Notification of Acceptance and Official Filing Receipt, and prompt examination and allowance of this application are respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this paper are attached.

Respectfully submitted,

William P. Berridge  
Registration No. 30,024

Jesse O. Collier  
Registration No. 53,839

WPB:JOC/crh

Date: December 20, 2005

**OLIFF & BERRIDGE, PLC**  
**P.O. Box 19928**  
**Alexandria, Virginia 22320**  
**Telephone: (703) 836-6400**

**DEPOSIT ACCOUNT USE  
AUTHORIZATION**  
Please grant any extension  
necessary for entry;  
Charge any fee due to our  
Deposit Account No. 15-0461

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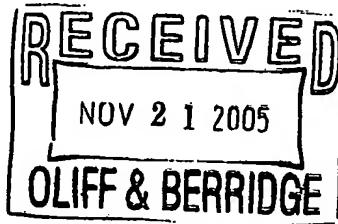


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 371 FORMALITIES LETTER  
  
 \*OC000000017482662\* DUE DATE

Date Mailed: 11/18/2005

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## NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 08/22/2005
- English Translation of the IA filed on 08/22/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 05/20/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 08/22/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 09/12/2005
- Small Entity Statement filed on 05/20/2005
- Copy of references cited in ISR filed on 09/12/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 05/20/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 05/20/2005
- Specification filed on 05/20/2005
- Claims filed on 05/20/2005
- Abstracts filed on 05/20/2005
- Drawings filed on 05/20/2005

## MISSING PARTS

DOCKETED  
 By RDB on 11/21/2005  
 and  
 By FWD on 11/21/2005  
 Oliff & Berridge

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27,

must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$65** for a Small Entity:

- **\$65** Surcharge.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

BARBARA A CAMPBELL

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**PART 1 - ATTORNEY/APPLICANT COPY**

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